

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**Federal Transit Administration** 

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2011-0069]

**Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review** 

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) to extend the approval of the following information collection:

49 U.S.C. Section 5316 - Job Access and Reverse Commute Program

The information collected is used to determine eligibility for funding and to monitor the grantees' progress in implementing and completing project activities. The Federal Register notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on August 29, 2011,

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before [Insert date 30 days after publication]. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sylvia L. Marion, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-6680.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 49 U.S.C. Section 5316 - Job Access and Reverse Commute Program

(Citation 76 FR 53712). No comments were received from that notice.

**Abstract:** 49 U.S.C. Section 5316, the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program, authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to states for areas with a population of

less than 200,000 and designated recipients in urbanized areas of 200,000 persons or greater to transport welfare recipients and other low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related to employment. Grant recipients are required to make information available to the public and to publish a program of projects which identifies the subrecipients and projects for which the State or designated recipient is applying for financial assistance. FTA uses the information to determine eligibility for funding and to monitor the grantees' progress in implementing and completing project activities. FTA collects performance information annually from designated recipients in rural areas, small urbanized areas, other direct recipients for small urbanized areas, and designated recipients in urbanized areas of 200,000 persons or greater. FTA collects milestone and financial status reports from designated recipients in large urbanized areas on a quarterly basis. The information submitted ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal laws.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 122,374 hours.

**ADDRESS:** All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 – 17<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer.

Comments are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be

collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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